

IN THE CLAIMS

Listing of claims to follow replaces all prior versions.

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1 60 (Original) A mobile electronic communication device comprising:
2 a transceiver;
3 a light unit having a plurality of light sources; and
4 a processor unit coupled to the transceiver and light unit, wherein the
5 processor unit is configured to cause the light unit to output light from a selected one
6 of the light sources to indicate a source of a received message.

1 61. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 60, wherein
2 the mobile electronic communication device is configured to receive messages of
3 two or more types, wherein the processor unit is configured to cause the light unit to
4 output the light with modulation that depends on the received message's type.

1 62. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 60, wherein
2 the selected one of the light sources being lit is associated with a contact, and the
3 message is received from the associated contact.

1 63. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 62, wherein
2 the light unit can simultaneously illuminate another light source to indicate that a
3 message has been received from a contact associated with the other light source.

1 64. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 60, wherein
2 the processor unit is configured to cause the light unit to output light with modulation

3 that depends on an age of a message received by the mobile electronic
4 communication device.

1 65. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 64, wherein
2 the modulated light has a color that depends on the relative age of a received
3 message.

1 66. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 64, wherein
2 the modulated light has a blinking rate that indicates a number of unread messages
3 received from a contact.

1 67. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device in claim 64, wherein
2 the message is a most recent message received from a contact.

1 68. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 67, wherein
2 the message is an unread message received from the contact.

1 69. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 64, wherein
2 the relative age is indicated using a plurality of predetermined age categories.

1 70. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 69, wherein
2 each age category of the plurality of age categories is represented by a
3 predetermined color of light that can be outputted by the light unit.

1 71. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 70, wherein each
2 age category of the plurality of age categories is represented by a predetermined
3 number of light flashes within a cycle.

1 72. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 61, wherein
2 the message is a SMS message.

1 73. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 60, wherein
2 the mobile electronic communication device further comprises a touch-screen
3 display in addition to or in lieu of the light unit, and the processor emulates said
4 causing of the light unit to light a selected one of a plurality of light sources to
5 indicate receipt of a message from a source by rendering a virtual light unit having a
6 plurality of virtual light sources on the touch-screen display, with a selected one of
7 the virtual light sources manifesting an appearance of being illuminated.

1 74. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 60, wherein
2 the light unit comprises an LED circuit having a plurality of LEDs configured to
3 selectively output light having a color selected from a set of a plurality of preselected
4 colors.

1 75. (Original) A mobile electronic communication device comprising:
2 a transceiver; and
3 means coupled to the transceiver to output light to indicate a source of a
4 received message.

1 76. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 75, wherein
2 the mobile electronic communication device is configured to receive messages of
3 two or more types, wherein said means is configured to output light with modulation
4 that depends on the received message's type.

1 77. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 75, wherein
2 said means is configured to output light with modulation that depends on an age of a
3 message received by the mobile electronic communication device.

1 78. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 75, wherein
2 the output light is associated with a contact, and the message is received from the
3 associated contact.

1 79. (Original) The mobile electronic communication device of claim 75, wherein
2 the mobile electronic communication device is configured to receive messages of
3 two or more types, wherein said means is configured to output light with modulation
4 that depends on the received message's type and an age of the message received.